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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

Zima et al.

Serial No.:

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Group Art Unit:

1761

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Examiner:

Carolyn A. Paden

For:

PROCESS FOR THE RECOVERY OF A PHYTOLIPID COMPOSITION

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the restriction requirement dated April 13, 2006, the due date of which fell on Saturday, May 13, 2006. As such, please accept these papers as timely filed on Monday, May 15, 2006.

Applicants have elected without traverse to prosecute the claims of Group II (claims 7-32 drawn to a phytolipid composition). Therefore, claims 7-32 will remain for consideration in this application. Claims 1-6 will be cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

In addition to the restriction requirement, the Examiner is also requiring an election of species. Applicants hereby elect the species directed to a skin care composition (claims 7-9, 11-12 and 20) without traverse. According to the Examiner, claim 7 is generic.

Applicants respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. Should the Examiner have any questions, please contact the undersigned at (423)229-8862.

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